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MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY.

Tuesday, 8th April 1958.

The House met in the Assembly Hall, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at One of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI S. R. KANTHI, B.A., LL.B.) in the Chair.

Business of the House.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Now, the General Debate on the Budget will continue.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ದುಗ್ಗಪ್ಪ (ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ).—ಇವತ್ತು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಇಲ್ಲ.

Sri G. DUGGAPPA.—We come more for question hour. Several Members are interested in the question hour.

Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA (Belur).—This is the third day when we have no question hour.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA (Nanjangud).—Yesterday when I was making certain suggestion, he was the very friend who objected to it. How is he in order today to do so?

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA (Gubbi).—He is not asking for information.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—I am on my legs. Let him know that he should not interrupt me.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—I rise to a point of order. If there is any direction, it should be from the Chair and it is not for any individual member to direct me to learn some elementary things. I need not learn it from any Hon'ble Member. If there is anything to be learnt, I have to learn from the Chair. Sri Mallaradhya should not direct me.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I do not think Sri Mallaradhya meant anything.

Sri Y. VEERAPPA (Holenarasipur).—Let us commence the proceedings in a sporting spirit.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will read the relevant rule which says "Unless the Speaker otherwise directs, the first hour of every day of the meeting shall be available for answering the questions." I have found it necessary, under the circumstances, that I should otherwise direct. That is why I have done so.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK (Challakere).—Most important hour is the question hour. If the Speaker curtails that right which the members have, because he has power, it is not correct.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have not curtailed any right. I have only suspended that right.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—That is exactly the thing that should not be done. My submission is, because the question hour is the only important hour when we can elicit important information from the Government, it is very rarely suspended and if we lose that hour, the Chair would not give two hours tomorrow. In any case, it is an hour that is available for non-official business and if that one hour is curtailed, tomorrow we do not have two hours. Now that you have done it, we do not come in the way of our Speaker having done so. I would submit earnestly that that hour should not be curtailed on any account from tomorrow.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎ. ಜೆ. ದೊಡ್ಡಮೇಟಿ (ರೋಣ್).—ಇವತ್ತು ಬಡ್ಜೆಟ್‌ಮೇಲೆ ಜನರಲ್ ಡಿಸ್ಕಷನ್ ಕೊನೆಯದಿನ ಇದೆ. ಬಹಳ ಜನ ಮಾತನಾಡಬೇಕಾಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೋತ್ತರ ಕಾಲವನ್ನು ಆ ರೀತಿ ರದ್ದು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎ. ಭೀಮಪ್ಪನಾಯಕ್.—ಅವರಿಗೆ ಜವಾಬು ಹೇಳುವ ಶಕ್ತಿ ಇದೆ. It is an important hour which should not under any circumstances be curtailed.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have understood the feeilng of the member.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—I am not ri ing to question the discretion of the Speaker. We have the practice here to have the first hour as the question hour. It is to elicit important answers more than speeches by Hon'ble Members. Of course, the Speaker has suspended the rule. But I only appeal to the Speaker to allow the question hour so that we may put our questions and it is well known that a number of questions are pending answers. I do not know how the House will be in a position to have all the questions put. Under these circumstances, I submit that no such curtailment of the question hour be done hereafter.

Mr. SPEAKER.—After all, I am very reluctant to do that. But under the circumstances I found that it was necessary to suspend the question hour. That is why I have done so. But I do appreciate the feelings of the Hon'ble Members when they say that the question hour should not be suspended so far as possible because the members should not lose the right of eliciting information from the Hon'ble Ministers. I do agree there. But, sometimes it becomes necessary. On rare occasions like this I find that there are several Hon'ble Members who are desirous of participating in the debate but I was compelled more or less by the circumstances to suspend the question hour. I do know that the question hour once suspended cannot be regained. But, I have other methods to reimburse what has been lost. Hon'ble Members are aware that the duration of question hour is only one hour and sometimes I go a little beyond the hour and take ten minutes, fifteen minutes more than the hour. That way I can make up the loss that has been sustained in the matter.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಶಿವಪ್ಪ (ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ).—ಪ್ರಶ್ನೋತ್ತರಗಳ ಕಾಲವನ್ನು ರದ್ದುಮಾಡತಕ್ಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ತಮಗೆ ಇದೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ಥಾಲೆಂಜ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ತಾವು ಯಾವುದಾದರೂ ಪ್ರೊಸೀಡಿಂಗ್ಸ್ ನೋಡಿ ಸ್ಪೆಷಲ ಸೆಕ್ಷನ್ ಇದ್ದಾಗ ಅಥವಾ ಬೇರೆ ಏನಾದರೂ ಒಂದು ಆವಶ್ಯಕತೆ ಇದ್ದಾಗ ಸಸ್ಪೆಂಡ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೇ ಹೊರತು ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಜನರಲ್ ಡಿಸ್ಕಷನ್ ಆಗುವಾಗ ಸಸ್ಪೆಂಡ್ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ಬಹಳ ವಿಷಾದಕರ ಸಂಗತಿ ಎಂದು ಅನಿವಾರ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಹೇಳಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಬಹಳ ಚರ್ಚೆಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣ ವಿಲ್ಲ. ತಾವು ಏನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತ ಇದ್ದೀರೋ ಅದನ್ನು ನಾನು ಒಪ್ಪುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಏಕೆಂದರೆ ಕೆಲವು ಕಡೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಬಜೆಟ್ ಚರ್ಚೆನಡೆಯುತ್ತಾ ಇರುವಾಗ ಈ ಕಾಲವನ್ನು ಅರ್ಧ ಗಂಟೆಗಿಂತಲೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಕೊಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಪ್ರಶ್ನೋತ್ತರಗಳ ಕಾಲ ಎಂದರೆ ಅರ್ಧಗಂಟೆ ಎಂದೂ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ. ಒಮ್ಮೊಮ್ಮೆ ಇಂಥ ಪ್ರಸಂಗ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ. ಸಸ್ಪೆಂಡ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಇದು ಯೋಗ್ಯ, ಅಯೋಗ್ಯ ಎಂದು ಎರಡು ಅಭಿಪ್ರಾಯಗಳಿರಬಹುದು. ನನ್ನ ದೃಷ್ಟಿಯಿಂದ ಯೋಗ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಕಾಣುತ್ತದೆ. ತಮ್ಮ ದೃಷ್ಟಿಯಿಂದ ಅಯೋಗ್ಯವಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ನಾನು ತಮ್ಮ ಕೂಡ ತಂಟೆಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಆ ಅಭಿಪ್ರಾಯವನ್ನು ತಾವುಇಟ್ಟುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು. ಈ ದಿವಸ ಸಸ್ಪೆಂಡ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ದಯವಿಟ್ಟು ಒಪ್ಪಿ. ಇದು Chair's ruling.

BUDGET FOR 1958-59—GENERAL DISCUSSION.

(Debate continued)

*Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY (Coondapoor).—Sir, we have been discussing the Budget to a point of indigestion. Practically, very little is left for Hon'ble Members to put forth before this House. The Budget, I should say, is a very uninspiring document. One of the Hon'ble Members on the other side said that this is a sick man's budget. I submit, it is so.

Mr. SPEAKER.—May I remind the time limit? Time limit is 20 minutes.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Sir, within the time limit I will briefly touch on a few points without going to details. Sir, the sickness, I am sorry to say, is not only with the Finance Minister but with the ruling party itself. It is symptomatic. I have nothing against the Hon'ble the Finance Minister who is a gem of a man to work with, but I am sorry to say that it is the symptom of the ruling party. It is not only sick, it is disintegrating. Not only in this State but in several other States, the ruling party is totally completely disintegrating and this Budget is a symptom of the sickness of the ruling party and

* Asterisk indicates that the remarks or speeches have not been revised by the Member concerned.